

EAST SIDE NEWS.

BUSINESS SUSPENDED ON
EAST SIDE FOR DEDICATION.Thousands of Residents Journey to St.
Louis to Attend Ceremonies at
World's Fair Grounds.

The East Side was never so deserted as it was yesterday. It seemed as if the entire population of East St. Louis, Belleville and the other suburban towns turned out en masse to witness the Dedication Day parade and ceremonies. Children invariably carried their lunches, their parents putting but little faith in their ability to find food and drink in the big crowds.

At the Stock Yards the place was never known to have the deserted look that it had yesterday. This was true of the big manufacturing plants, where even on Sundays and other holidays there is always some indication of activity.

Hundreds of parties to the Dedication Day were planned and thousands of families, not trusting in the ability of a party to keep together, made arrangements for meeting places at the World's Fair grounds.

Every street car on the East Side Electric Railway system was in use all day long. The cars were crowded with people.

Many of the East Side cars carried passengers to the fair grounds, and a considerable number of East Side residents were seen in the crowds.

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MAYOR ELECT LEAVES
SICK BED TO TAKE OATH.Captain Bruggerman Announces Ap-
pointments of Alton's New City Of-
ficials and Convenes Council.

Captain Henry Bruggerman assumed the duties of Mayor of Alton at a special meeting of the City Council Wednesday evening. Captain Bruggerman had been ill at his home for two days and was taken to the City Hall in a carriage to take the oath of office.

City Clerk-elect George Gray was first sworn in by Acting City Clerk Paul B. Casaday. Clerk Gray then administered the oath of office to Mayor-elect Bruggerman and the other newly elected city officers.

Captain Bruggerman appointed John Maxwell, Attorney and Acting Chief of Police, A. N. Ashlock as appointed night chief of police, and John Peasey special night watchman in the business district.

Other appointments announced by Mayor Bruggerman were: John B. Vane, City Collector; James P. Thornton, City Comptroller; Louis J. Hartmann, Special Tax Collector; George Dixon, City Engineer; John Copping, City Street Commissioner.

Mayor Bruggerman announced that the official City of Police would not be called for the present. The regular monthly meeting of the City Council was also changed from the second Tuesday to the second Saturday of each month.

Alton Notes and Personalities.
—Mayor A. W. Crawford of Grand Ill. is the guest of Alton friends.

—L. Loomis of Matian, Ill., is the guest of friends in Alton.

Dedication Day Causes
"HURRY-UP" MARRIAGES.

Quick Ceremonies Performed at Ed-
wardsville for Couples Who En-
joy Holiday in St. Louis.

Edwardsville sent 2,000 persons yesterday to the Dedication exercises in St. Louis. There were three solid trains out on the Alton line, and a heavy crowd of people.

A feature of the day was the number of marriage licenses issued to persons who came to the city for the day. The first couple was John R. Gray and Miss Sarah E. Williams, both of Pat-

terburg, Mo. They were married by Rev. J. L. Cunningham on an old car late Wednesday night, at a special ceremony held at the city hall.

Benjamin P. Horton, a native of Poplar Bluff, Mo., who is employed at the Exposition grounds, wrote his sweetheart, Miss Christine May Spield, of the same place, to come to the city for the day.

After the parade had been completed, the couple were married by Rev. J. L. Cunningham.

Other couples who came to the city for the day were Frank R. Borchard of St. Louis and Mary W. W. Borchard of St. Louis, and John W. Borchard of St. Louis and Mary W. Borchard of St. Louis.

POWDER EXPLOSION BLINDS HIM.
Rolla Schmidt's Cigarette Causes Ac-
cident That Results in Serious Injury.

Rolla Schmidt, a negro boy, who is employed as a mule driver in a coal mine at Belleville, did not have enough money to attend the Dedication Day exercises in St. Louis yesterday, and he tried to have a celebration on his own account, which resulted in an accident which will probably cost him his sight.

Rolla and a number of friends pitched in their times and bought some powder. They had the powder in a bottle. Rolla was smoking a cigarette and he leaned over the bottle. A spark from the cigarette fell into the bottle and the powder exploded, which resulted in an accident which will probably cost him his sight.

Rolla was unconscious when picked up and was hurriedly carried to the police station, where he was given surgical attention. After which he was taken to his home.

Belleville Y. M. C. A. Excursion.
The Belleville Branch Young Men's Christian Association have decided on Pen-

taconia, Va. as the day which they will give their railroad and steamboat excursion from Belleville to the mouth of the Mississippi River. The trip will be 100 miles, in addition to the trip by rail from Belleville to St. Louis, and it is stated it will be the biggest one-day excursion ever planned by a Belleville organization.

At present the details of the affair are under the management of Frank A. Behrmer, C. B. Stoum and R. W. Ruppel. A general committee of the excursion will be appointed early next week.

cession of handsome arches resplendent with flowers and flags.

A driving April shower late today had delayed the bunting and held out threatening prospects for to-morrow. The decorations symbolized by the entwined flags of France and Great Britain the resumption of cordial feelings between the two countries.

Many of the balconies bear floral legends reading, "God save the King!" and "Welcome."

One striking feature of the display is the decoration of the front of the hotel where former President Kruger stopped. The newspapers comment on the fact that the same bunting which greeted Mr. Kruger is now used to greet King Edward.

Gigantic crowds, shining with myriads of electric globes, are notable features of the general ornamentation.

Sir Edmund J. Monson, the British Ambassador, left here this afternoon to meet King Edward. The French officials representing the Government have also departed.

The royal train will emerge from the Mont Cenis tunnel on French soil at 4 o'clock to-morrow morning. The official welcome of King Edward will take place when his train arrives at 10 a. m. in the Gare d'Orléans. General Lacroix, Chief of the Gendarmerie, will welcome him to French soil. The King will leave Dijon at 11 o'clock, arriving in Paris about 8 p. m.

A large force of troops has been concentrated here to render military honors to King Edward to-morrow.

A Gallant Little Culprit.
Bobby was kept after school for some misdemeanor. It was at kindergarten and his first punishment.

The teacher inquired: "Aren't you very sorry, Bobby, to have to stay after school when the others go?"

"Oh, no," replied Bobby. "It was just what I wanted, so as to have you all to myself."—Little Chronicle.

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ASSASSINATED WHILE
PREPARING FOR BED

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Through His Room Window at
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TRAGEDY WRAPPED IN MYSTERY

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BOLTE IS DECLARED ELECTED.
Appellate Court of Springfield Un-
seats Garms.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
Springfield, Ill., April 30.—The Appellate
Court today decided in favor of Henry
Bolte, Democratic candidate for the seat
in the City Council now occupied by Edward
Garms, Republican.

The two men were candidates a year ago.
Bolte, on the basis of the return
elected, but the City Council seated Garms.
The contest has been pending ever since.

VALLEY A MILE WIDE
FILLED WITH DEBRIS

Victims of Great Landslide at
Frank, N. W. T., It Is Now
Known, Number Fifty-Six.

WIDE AREA IS DEVASTATED.

Monetary Damage Will Exceed
\$1,500,000.—Continued Fall of
Rocks Marks Approach
to Mountain.

Frank, N. W. T., April 30.—It is definitely
known that fifty-six persons lost their lives
before daybreak Wednesday by the
sliding of the rocky top of Turtle Mountain
down upon the sleeping village of Frank.

Besides killing fifty-six persons the slide
destroyed the plant of the Canadian-American
Coal and Coke Company, did a vast
amount of damage to the mine and com-
pletely devastated about ten square miles
of the finest and most picturesque section
of Crow's Nest Pass.

Many of the bodies of the dead will never
be found. Some cabins are buried under 100
feet of rock.

Although organized efforts were made last
evening and to-day to search for bodies,
only nineteen have so far been recovered.
Most of the corpses were mangled almost
beyond recognition.

For a time after the disaster the great-
est confusion prevailed, no one knowing just
what had occurred.

As soon as day dawned it was seen that
the whole side of Turtle Mountain had fallen
away, and that the valley for a distance
of two miles was entirely choked up by
rocks and debris, piled to an average height
of sixty feet.

Simultaneously with the piling-up of
the rocks on Turtle Mountain there opened an
immense fissure of the earth on the northern
side of Turtle Mountain. This fissure ex-
tended for a distance of three quarters of
a mile, and many feet in width. This
yawning chasm still remains open, accord-
ing to reports brought in by men who have
been on the other side of the mountain.

In the downward rush of the debris and
other material that was thrown up by the
upheaval, the entire operating plant of the
French-Canadian Coal Company was car-
ried away. The buildings demolished in-
cluded the triple boiler-house, the main
house, electric light, railway scales, repair
shops and a row of coke ovens.

Seven houses, also owned by the com-
pany, were smashed into kindling, six of
them being entirely obliterated and their
occupants killed, while ten other houses,
which were situated in the valley east of
town, were also demolished, and people
living in these houses were also instantly
killed as they slept.

The direct monetary damage will exceed
\$1,500,000. The actual loss to the mining
company probably will not exceed \$200,0